REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the outstanding non-final Office Action mailed June 11, 2007. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and pending claims are respectfully requested.

I. Double Patenting Rejections - Obviousness-type Double Patenting

Claims 1-17 have been rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable in view of claims 1-17 of U.S. Application No. 10/635,473 ("the '473 application").

As indicated above, remaining independent claim 1 has been amended through this Response. In view of that amendment, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-17 of the '473 application do not render claim 1 and its dependents unpatentable. Applicant therefore requests that the rejections be withdrawn.

II. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 9-16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as being drawn to nonstatutory subject matter.

In response to the rejection, Applicant has canceled claims 9-16. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the rejections be withdrawn.

III. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1, 9, and 17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Stewart, et al. ("Stewart," U.S. Pat. No. 6,714,964).

As indicated above, remaining independent claim 1 has been amended through this Response. In view of that amendment, Applicant respectfully submits that the rejection is moot as having been drawn against Applicant's claims in a previous form. Applicant therefore requests that the rejections be withdrawn.

Turning to the merits of claim 1, Applicant notes that Stewart at least does not disclose "creating at the designer location a digital file that represents an image to be printed", "receiving at the designer location from the print service provider location real time configuration information regarding a print production device at the print service provider location", "generating at the designer location packaging instructions that describe how the printed output is to be packaged for shipment after printing, the packaging instructions being generated relative to the received configuration information", and "creating at the designer location a high performance file that contains the digital file and the packaging instructions". Instead, Stewart discloses uploading a document for printing and subsequently specifying printing attributes using a "configuration wizard." See Stewart, column 8, lines 12-20.

IV. Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

Claims 2-8 and 10-16 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over *Stewart* in view of *Hansen*, et al. ("Hansen," U.S. Pat. No. 6,407,820).

As identified above, Stewart does not teach aspects of Applicant's claim 1. In that Hansen does not remedy the deficiencies of the Stewart reference, Applicant respectfully submits that remaining claims 2-8 are allowable over the Stewart/Hansen combination for at least the same reasons that claim 1 is allowable over Stewart.

V. Canceled Claims

Claims 9-17 have been canceled from the application without prejudice, waiver, or disclaimer. Applicant reserves the right to present these canceled claims, or variants thereof, in continuing applications to be filed subsequently.

VI. New Claims

Claims 18-23 have been added into the application through this Response. Applicant respectfully submits that these new claims describe an invention novel and unobvious in view of the prior art of record and, therefore, respectfully requests that these claims be held to be allowable.

Regarding the merits of claim 18, Applicant notes that claim 18, while not identical to claim 1, is of similar scope to claim 1. Therefore, Applicant submits that claim 18 and its dependents are allowable over the applied references for at least the same reasons that claim 1 and its dependents are allowable over the applied references.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that Applicant's pending claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application and all pending claims are hereby courteously requested. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephonic conference would expedite the examination of this matter, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (770) 933-9500.

Respectfully submitted,

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